

REMARKS

The present amendment was made to update the priority claim. No new matter has been introduced into the application as a result of the present amendment.

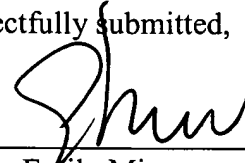
Prompt consideration and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if the Examiner believes that this would be helpful in expediting the prosecution of this application.

Dated: _____

May 4, 2004

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____



Emily Miao

Reg. No. 35,285

McDonnell Boenken Hulbert & Berghoff LLP
300 South Wacker Drive, Suite 3200
Chicago, IL 60606
Tel. No. 312-913-0001
Fax. No. 312-913-0002